

**New Haven Board of Commissioners Meeting
February 19, 2015**

(See attached list of those present)

The meeting was called to order and the pledge to the flag was recited at 6:00 PM.

Mayor Rogers welcomed the guests and invited **David Nalley** to speak. Nalley informed the Commission that he was here on behalf of the American Red Cross. It was time once again for the Red Cross Heroes Campaign. Nalley said that he would be coordinating this fund raiser with the New Haven/Rolling Fork Fire Department. A road block would be held in the near future. The citizens of southern Nelson also make donations to the American Red Cross at this time. Ninety-one percent of each dollar collected stays in the area and is spent for disaster/emergency relief.

The **Minutes of the January 15 Meeting** were approved on motion of Chris and second of Nicole. All voted in favor.

Old Business-Chris wanted to know the cost of the new camera. Total cost with accessories was approximately \$850.

General Administration

January Financials and February Bills were approved on motion of Nicole and second of Chris. All voted in favor.

Board of Adjustment Appointment—Chris made a motion to appoint Brooke Routt to the New Haven Board of Adjustment. Nicole seconded. All voted in favor.

Credit Card Resolution—Mike made a motion adopting Resolution No. 2015-2 after it was read by Mayor Rogers. Jane seconded. (See attached) Authorized users of the credit card would be Joanie Corbin and Jeff Rogers with a credit limit of \$1000 to be paid in full monthly. Jane seconded. All voted in favor.

Municipal Order No. 2015-1—Nicole made a motion to approve this resolution relating to Cybersecurity Compliance per the Department for Local Government. Mike seconded. All voted in favor.

144 Main Street Building—Guyula Johnson reported that the roof has been replaced on this building at a total cost of \$6,930. Monies were paid from the Enhancement Account. The balance currently in the Enhancement Account is \$9,955. Johnson said she wanted to make further cosmetic repairs to the building. She and Tim had received a quote from Brown and Skaggs for replacing some windows, caulking others and various other items. Cost of the repairs would be approximately \$4,155. While this is money kept in a City account, the funds belong to the Enhancement Committee. Total repairs to the

building have been budgeted for \$15,000. Mayor Rogers thanked the Enhancement Committee for all their hard work and dedication to the City..

Fill Utility/Assistance Clerk Position—Mayor Rogers reported that the position had been advertised and numerous resumes had been received. He and Jane had reviewed the resumes and interviews had been scheduled, but had been postponed due to the inclement weather. He said he would have a recommendation for the next meeting. Nicole said she would like more information on the position. She felt that it should be a part-time position, not full-time. Jeff pointed out that information regarding the position being full time was related during the meeting last month. Nicole said she felt that the Commission was rushed into a decision and wanted to change her position. She stated she was strongly against replacing utility clerk with a full-time position. Freddy DeWitt and Guyula Johnson spoke at length concerning not needing anyone to fill Joanie's position. After much more discussion Jane made a motion to hold a working session (special meeting) on March 5, 2015 at 6:00 PM to discuss filling this position as well as job duties associated with the position. During that working session, duties of the Commissioners will be discussed as well. Nicole seconded the meeting. All voted in favor.

Leadership Program—Mayor Rogers had asked Chris to coordinate a program for young leaders in our community. Chris said he was unable to do so due to lack of interest in that age group. However he said he would like to work with the resource officer at New Haven School to start a Leadership Program with middle school students. Jeff also said he would like for Chris to participate in the Nelson County Leadership Program.

Easter Egg Hunt—This will be held April 4.

Hazard Mitigation Resolution—Federal Emergency Management Agency requires periodic updates to Regional Hazard and Mitigation Plans. Failure to do so could result in non-compliance and inability to apply for funds after a disaster or to apply for FEMA grants. Chris made a motion approving Resolution No. 2015-3 stating that the City of New Haven will participate in the plan update. Jane seconded. All voted in favor.

Nelson County Dispatch has written a letter to Mayor Rogers requesting that the City lease an area located at 360 Center Street in order for them (Nelson County Dispatch) to erect a 160' radio tower in an attempt to enhance communication between responders and the dispatch center. This would benefit the police and fire department. Chris made a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign a 40 year lease with Nelson County Dispatch Center to erect this tower. The property would be leased for the amount of the electric bill at this location (approximately \$25-\$30 per month). Nicole seconded. All voted in favor.

Farmers Market—This will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Water and Sewer Department

Center Street Water Line Replacement has been completed except for cleanup.

Sewer Repairs on East Center Street—Tim is trying to contact someone for these needed repairs near the Dollar Store. More information will be available soon.

Truck Purchase Update—The truck has arrived and in service.

Surplus Property-Old Truck—Chris made a motion to declare the 2000 truck surplus and advertise for sale with sealed bids. Jane seconded. All voted in favor.

Street Department

Sidewalk Repair (Grinding Edges)—Tim reported that he contacted someone to make these repairs. Tim will have information when it becomes available.

School-Speed Bumps and Lights—New Haven Site Based Council has requested that the city install speed bumps and flashing lights at the school. The City is not required to do that. Mayor Rogers will discuss this further with the Nelson County Board of Education.

Recreation

Lifeguards—These positions will advertised and recommendations brought to the next meeting.

Rename Park—Discussion was held concerning renaming the City Park in memory of former Mayor Bob Johnson. Chris said we needed more input from citizens before making changes. This was tabled.

Chris said he wanted a report from the Football Association.

Jeff reported that he had had a phone call from the Thomas Nelson High School Coach concerning getting baseball and softball started in this area to feed high school teams. Nicole said she hoped to be able to have middle school baseball and softball teams from this area in 2016.

Police Department

Corey reported that he needed a new vest and the price was \$274. Consensus was to proceed with the purchase.

The city has received a new sign for the recently re-named Philip Ct. (Henry Street). The sign is red due to all private signs being red. It will be replaced with a blue sign.

Nicole asked Corey if all the letters of apology concerning the police issue last month had been completed. The letters have been written. Next month a committee will be appointed to update the Code of Conduct for the Police Department.

Fire Department

Freddy DeWitt informed the City Clerk that the Fire Department should be on the agenda each month since the Fire Department is a part of the City.

Freddy reported that they are working with the Boy Scouts of America and the scouts are meeting at the Fire House. The Boy Scouts and Explorers are being encouraged to participate as future firefighters. Jeff reported that the scouts and explorers are good programs and could be a feeding program for firefighters.

Adjournment—Jane moved for adjournment and Chris seconded. All voted in favor.

Mayor

Clerk